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This Communication is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowability dated July 23, 2002 which was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 23, 2002 Notice of Allowability is due October 23, 2002. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

In the July 23, 2002 Notice, the Examiner required applicants to submit new formal drawings including the drawing corrections specified in the July 22, 2002 Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review. The July 22, 2002 Drawing Review stated that applicant must submit Figure 6 as a Formal Drawing.

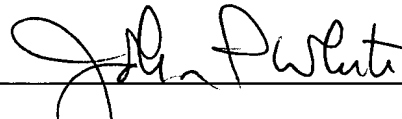
In response, applicants attach hereto as **Exhibit A** twelve (10) sheets of new, corrected formal drawings for Figures 1A - 10, including one set of photographs mounted on bristol board for Figures 1A - 1H, 2A - 2C, 4A - 4F, 5A - 5D, 8A, 8B, and 9A - 9D.

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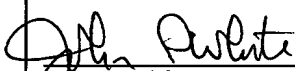
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